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"The Amity Guard."

BY LEMON PEEL.

'Twas the night before Christmas," and the ever precise
House of "Fifty-three Hose" was as still as a *mice*.
The tables were spread with unusual care
As though they expected some visitors there,
And the Bunk room deserted, although be it said,
It was time that all steady young men were in bed.
In their snug sitting room, enveloped in a mist
Of the smoke from segars, and a good game of whist,
Sat four of the Naiads with faces demure
At the final result if the next hand was poor.
Down stairs, in the back room just off the ground floor,
Could be found in their harness some two or three more
Making great preparations their guests to take in,
By cutting the meat for their sandwiches thin—
When near twelve o'clock there arose such a clatter
That the Policemen ran to see what was the matter
And the women who nightly parade that locality,
Believed their last hour had come in reality.
The few honest neighbors had gone to their rest,
The children were snugly ensconced in their nest
In dreams of the morrow, and gifts it would bring
From good Santa Claus, the gay Christmas king.
The lamps in the street seem at times to burn duller,
As paraded a party of "gemmen of color,"
Who waited to welcome the Holiday in
With a call on the "Corner" for "lasses and gin."
Now and then some lone straggler would stagger along
With a boisterous shout or a bacchanal song,
With a head slightly fuddled, a brick in his hat,
And a look that said plainly, "I know what I'm at,"
In short the whole neighborhood was, I believe,
Pretty much as 'tis always on Christmas eve.
'Twas just twelve o'clock when this terrible clatter
Turned the neighborhood out to see what was the matter;
The boys from the sitting room ran to the door,
They knew what the clatter meant, they'd heard it before,
The neighbors aroused quickly, threw up each sash
And heads from each window popped out like a flash;
The children affrighted, disturbed in their dreams,
Gave vent to their feelings in terrible screams,
The niggers in fear thought of former attacks
From the crowd on the corner, and quickly "made tracks."
The women at once thought of previous arrest,
(For here be it known, they were none of the best,)
They had often before been in the same plight,
And been brought to the bar for late walking at night,
(Not the bar where they get their allowance of gin,
But the bar that they find when they get taken in,)
They imagined it one of the "Deputy's" sallies,
So they took to their heels and dodged up the dark alleys.
The bummer that snoozed in his shady retreat
(A coal box,) awoke, started up to his feet,
And muttered, "Hello! what's the fellers about,"
Then put for the corner to see what was out
In motly array came a curious gang,
With trumpets and drums, and a singular twang,
Which plainly gave warning, despite of the racket,
That the "Amity Guard" were in town—Captain Hackett,
His bold first lieutenant, one Admiral Drake,
With a ludicrous dress of singular make,
Was earnest to make all the noise that he could,
Much more so it seemed than a load of "Bricks" should,
So they entered the house, where no doubt they are now,
As 'tis near one o'clock, and no sign of a row,
So I'll leave the kind "Naiads" to use their guests right.

POSTSCRIPT.

We've been there—we've seen them—they're all drunk as lords,
The men with the muskets and men with the swords,
And one little rooster that blowed on the horn
Went staggering round and acknowledged the *corn*,
While a big fellow rusty, dressed up as a bear
Had a pound of mixed mustered in whiskers and hair,
And a chap laid out in a drunken repose
With burnt cork moustaches close under his nose.
One right boozy fellow, a good hearted soul,
Mistook for a chair the mammoth punch bowl,
And a chap with a nail on the wall kept a knocking,
To find a good place to hang up his stocking.
The "Naiads" most kindly took one chap to bed,
Who had emptied two quarts from the hole in his head,
And the neighbors, this morning, who look in the street,
Will know by the piles what the boys had to eat.

BOARD OF DELEGATES,—An adjourned meeting of the Board of Delegates of the Fire Department of Placerville, was held at City Hall, on Thursday evening, the 28th inst. President Gowen in the chair. Present, Messrs Barss, Jones, Van Voorhies, Lacy and Johns. Absent, Messrs Huffmeister and Worthen.

On motion of Mr. Van Voorhies, the Board proceeded to the election of Secretary to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. C. N. Noteware. Mr. W. A. Smythe, of Confidence Engine Co. No. 1, was unanimously elected.

The Board then proceeded to the election of Trustees of the Fire Department Charitable Fund, which resulted in the choice of the following gentlemen:

W. A. January, of Confidence No. 1;
W. J. Petars, of Hope Hook & Ladder Co.;
J. L. Smith, of Neptune Hose Co.

On motion the Board adjourned.

J. J. CULLEN, Sec'y pro tem.

A NIGHT OF PERIL.

BY CHARLES J. PETERSON.

It was a night in the tropics. The moon had not yet risen, but a thousand stars were out on high. Our schooner lay almost motionless, her bow slowly lifting with the almost imperceptible heave of the long, regular swell. There was not a sound to disturb the silence, except the wash of an occasional ripple against her side, or the impatient whistle of a seaman. On every side the ocean stretched away until lost in the dim obscurity of the horizon. The blue concave above was unbroken by clouds, except toward the east, where a bank of vapor hung on the seaboard, like a thin veil of gauze; but a spicy odor, impregnating the air in that direction, told the practiced seaman that what seemed only a cloud, was in reality land. The beauty and stillness of the scene were beyond description, and even the rudest of the crew, as they leaned idly over the side, seemed to feel the dreamy influence of the hour and forget the possibility of peril.

Isabel, Mr. Thornton, and I sat on the quarter-deck, enjoying the delicious scene. Gradually we lapsed into silence. The bliss of being near her whom I loved was enough for me, and I sat wrapt in the sweetest reveries. Suddenly, a piercing cry broke from Isabel's lips. It was a cry of alarm, so startling and wild that I turned hastily toward her.

Her face was paler than that of death, her lips were parted in terror, her eyes stared fearfully at some object in the distance; and her finger, which pointed in the direction of her look, quivered like an aspen. Instinctively I followed her eye. Far down toward the African coast, I saw, scarcely discernable amid the thin haze which hung in that direction, a long, heavy oared boat; and, though the distance rendered it nearly undistinguishable, enough could be seen to make us certain that it was crowded with men and pulling directly for us.

I sprang to my feet. Isabel's terror was not without cause. Our schooner had gone into the river Gabion to trade; but the night before, we had detected signs of hostility on the part of the natives, and had escaped massacre only by cutting the cable and putting to sea. Shortly after daybreak the light breeze had died away, and we had been lying since, in full sight of the coast, till dusk, which stretched along the horizon, a dark, impenetrable line of woods, with a fringe of white surf in front. I knew, at once, that the negroes had only waited till night-fall to follow us; and that, unless the wind rose, we were lost.

I looked around the horizon. There was not a sign of a breeze. Then I called for a lighted candle. By this time every eye was fixed on me. The crew gathered within a short distance of the quarter-deck, anxiously awaiting orders.

The candle was brought, and I held it aloft. For some minutes, the flame streamed perpendicularly upward. At last it slightly inclined, and finally flared almost horizontally outward from the wick. Simultaneously I felt on my cheek a nearly imperceptible puff of air.

"Thank God!" I cried.

But scarcely had I spoken, when the candle burned up steadily again, and our hearts sank within us.

There is no feeling so agonizing as suspense. As I watched the candle, my anxiety gradually became so intense that I could hear the pulsations of my heart increasing in rapidity and strength until they smote on my ear like the strokes of a force-pump. Soon, too, other sounds reached me—they were those of the quick rollicking of oars at a distance. I started, and seizing a night-glass, gazed at the approaching barge, determined to know the worst at once.—I counted no less than thirty ruffianly-looking negroes, beside several white men, as I thought, in the boat, and in the canoes behind.

Our own force, all told, amounted to only ten. Sick at soul, I shut the glass and turned to the candle. I fancied that it flared slightly. Wetting my hand I held it up and felt, yes! I felt the water evaporating on the palm. I turned to the light. It now bent steadily over, and finally streamed out nearly at right angles to the wick, when it suddenly went out. At the same instant I heard a light murmur in the rigging.

"All hands make sail," I said, "here comes the breeze. Cheerily, my lads. It is for life or death."

The men sprang to the sails, and the glad sound of the water rippling under our bows soon met our ears, telling us that we were in motion. With a sudden feeling of exhilaration I turned astern, and it seemed as if we had already increased our distance from the foe. Unconsciously I uttered an exclamation of joy. At this instant I heard a deep respiration at my side.—The sound proceeded from Isabel, who, attracted by my words, had read hope in my face, and thus given utterance to her relief.

"Do you think we shall escape?" she said, eagerly.

"I hope so—indeed I am sure we shall," I added, willing to say almost more than I believed. "If the wind freshens we shall soon run them out of sight."

Her answering look gave me courage to face a legion of foes. I felt that I could lay down a thousand lives sooner than suffer her to fall into the hands of our pursuers.

The next fifteen minutes were passed in a state of the most agonizing suspense. At first, we fancied that the savages were dropping astern, and a general feeling of relief passed through the ship. But, when I had watched the barge for several minutes, my heart misgave me, and at most I could only hope that the ruffians did not gain on us. Anxious to conceal my fear, I assumed a cheerfulness I did not feel, and endeavored to divert the minds of Isabel and her father from the contemplation of their dangerous situation.

At last the breeze almost died out. For the first time the savages now uttered a wild yell, or rather a howl like that of famished wolves at sight of their prey. Isabel gave a stifled shriek, and buried her face on her father's bosom.—Words cannot describe the agony expressed in the parent's look, or in the wild embrace with which he drew his child to his heart.

The mate glanced at the now rapidly approaching boat, and, coming close to me, said, in a hoarse voice,

"In ten minutes all will be over." He looked earnestly toward Isabel, "To think of that lovely girl in the hands of brutal outlaws or savage negroes."

"Better death than dishonor," I responded, understanding his meaning. No other word was said, but we pressed each other's hands convulsively.

Weapons were soon distributed, and I made a short address to the men. I did not pretend to conceal our danger. I told them they had no alternative but to conquer or die. No allusion was made to Isabel, but a single glance of my eye toward her was understood, and each man grasped his cutlass tighter as he comprehended the silent appeal. When my voice ceased, there was a hush for a second. The first sound that broke the quiet was the rollicking of the pirates' oars, striking with fearful distinctness on our ears, and telling, by its increased loudness, how rapidly the foe gained on us.

Meantime the fog-bank had been creeping down toward us, and the mist had now grown so thick that, to the west, it shut out the horizon completely from sight, though the stars were still visible higher up toward the zenith. Nearer us the vapor was less dense, objects being still visible for some distance across the water.—About a dozen whites were in the barge; the rest were negroes.

A carronade, at my orders, had been charged and was now fired at the approaching fleet. It missed the launch, but striking among the canoes behind, sank one. A wild howl of rage burst from the ruffians, and the barge swept down toward us with redoubled velocity.

"I think I can pick off one of those ruffians," said I to the mate. "We may disable three or four before they reach us, and every life will increase our chances. You are a good shot?"

"Ay," said he. "I will account for one, if you will for the other. Let us take the two leading oarsmen at once, for the instant they touch us, we shall have them pouring in, on our low decks, like a wave over the knight heads. Are you ready?"

"Ready!" was my response; and we fired.

Simultaneously with the flash of my piece, I saw the bow oarsman fall. The mate had followed my example, and the second ruffian leaped up, with a yell, and tumbled across the seat.—Both oars caught in the water, and were snapped off at the thwart. For an instant the pirates seemed paralyzed. But immediately they rallied.

"Again!" I cried.

We fired so nearly at the same instant, that there was but one crack of our pieces. Two more ruffians fell; but the boat still kept on, but was now within pistol-shot.

"Take off that fellow with the red sash," I hoarsely whispered. "I'll aim at the coxswain. One of the two must be the leader."

My eye was never keener, nor my hand more firm, than at that moment. One might have counted two while I paused; then my piece blazed. My man sprang forward and fell, struggling convulsively. The mate fired simultaneously, and the helmsman tumbled headlong forward, falling on the ruffian I had shot. There was a howl of lamentation from the negroes; the rowers stopped, several rushed aft, all was confusion. The boat shot forward until almost abreast of us, and then lay motionless on the water.

But the hesitation of the pirates was of short duration. The cries of grief on the part of the negroes were exchanged for shouts of rage.—We could see the whites urging them on. We had barely time to note the horrible expressions of their faces, glaring with revenge and the most savage passions; we had barely time to level the remaining muskets hastily at them and fire, though with what effect the confusion would scarcely allow us to perceive, when the bow of the barge grated against our sides, and immediately a boat-hook was fixed into the low bulwarks.

At the moment, one of the crew, with a blow of an axe, cut the implement in two, but as he did so, a stalwart white sprang on deck, where he stood, brawny and gigantic, keeping a charmed circle around him with a cutlass. Instantaneously, like a swarm of bees, our assailants clustered on the side of the vessel, and, despite our desperate resistance, eventually gained a footing.

We now hastily retreated to the quarter-deck, where we prepared to make our stand. To reach us the assailants would have to pass the narrow passages on each side of the companion-way, and these had, just before, been partially blocked up, with such efficiency as time would admit, by water-casks that usually stood on the quarter-deck. Our whole force was drawn up within this little fortification.

The piratical leader saw our hasty preparations, and paused a moment to scan our position. Thus both parties remained, for a few seconds, inactive, eyeing each other as men are apt to do when about to engage in mortal conflict. On the part of the assailants this scrutiny was carried on with feelings akin to those with which a tiger watches the prey he knows cannot escape him. Our emotions were those of men doomed to death, and, aware of their fate, but resolved to sell their lives as dearly as possible. On one side was fiendish exultation, on the other manly despair.

"Have at them!" shouted the ruffian in English, suddenly: and his men, answering with a yell, dashed forward.

"Stand fast, my hearties," I cried, confronting the foe at the pass on the right of the companion-way, while the mate took the opposite pass on the left. "Strike for life or death."

Of the succeeding minutes I have no distinct recollection. There was a wild clashing of cutlasses, mingled with the reports of pistols and the shouts of angry combatants, while occasionally a shrill cry of agony, from some one desperately wounded, rose over the uproar. Our stock of firearms was scanty, so that we had little with which to oppose the foe except cutlasses, while most of the desperadoes were armed with pistols. But our defences, slight as they were, considerably retarded the approach of the foe.

In vain the piratical leader struggled to penetrate into our little circle. Sustained by four sturdy old man-of-war's men, I hurled him back on his followers as often as he endeavored to clamber over our defences. So fierce was the contest in this quarter, that the cutlasses, crossing each other in strife, formed a bridge over me and the pirate, while the blades flashed rapidly and incessantly. The mate, though hurt, also maintained his ground.

Three times had I been wounded, one of my little party was shot dead, all of us were streaming with blood, yet still we maintained the unequal combat. But I felt that our resistance could not be protracted much longer. We had suffered quite as severely as the savages. But, while, for every man they lost, there were three to take his place, it had required the whole of our little force, even at first, to defend our barricade. Our thinned numbers could now scarcely maintain their footing, and, with the loss of one or two more, would be totally inadequate to it. The canoes, meantime, were rapidly approaching.

We had just, for the fourth time, beaten back our assailants. A fifth attack, I feared, would be successful. As I thought this, I cast my eyes hastily around to Isabel, who sat, or rather cowered, under the shelter of the companion-way. Her eyes were fixed to windward, as if earnestly contemplating some object. With sudden hope, I followed the direction of her look.

I have said that the wind died away before the pirates boarded us, and, since then, every faculty had been absorbed in the conflict for existence, so that I had not been aware of the gradual revival of the breeze. Now, however, when the din of battle momentarily ceased, my ears were greeted with the sighing of the wind among the rigging, and the pleasant murmur of the water as it parted under ours bows and glided along the sides—gentle and soothing sounds always, but especially so after the maddening uproar of the mortal strife.

I became conscious also, the very instant my eyes turned to windward, that the fog, which I have described as settling around us, was slowly dissipating, and, although it still lay thick and palpable along the surface of the water, higher up it thinned off, and finally disappeared altogether. The object which had attracted Isabel's attention, was a tall mast rising majestically above the fog, not a cable length distant, and, though the hull was invisible, I saw, with what delight my readers can imagine, for the union-jack of our beloved country was floating from the mast head.

"Huzza!" I cried, "huzza! Help is at hand. Here comes our gallant flag."

Had a thunderbolt fallen at their feet and torn up the deck beneath them, the pirates could not have shown more consternation than at these words. Every man looked around in search of the new comer, and, when the stranger was discovered to windward, no pen can describe the expression of amazement and affright which gathered on the faces of the ruffians. They stood, a moment, as if spell-bound, staring at the tall masts, that rose majestically above the fog, their eyes distending with astonishment.—As the vessel bore down on us, the mists rolled slowly aside; first her bowsprit shoved itself out of the fog; then the white vapor curled along her side, and her forechains became visible; and, finally, like a magic picture emerging from the smoke of an enchanter's tripod, the whole symmetrical hull rose to sight, with a row of teeth frowning from the open ports.

At this sight, so unexpected, the negroes no longer wavered. A cry of affright broke from them, and, hurrying to their boat, they tumbled into it, pell-mell, and pushed off, leaving behind, in their consternation, most of their white companions. Availing ourselves of this happy juncture, we sallied forth, and, cutting down those who resisted, chased the rest overboard.

The ship was now close on to us, and, in a few hurried words, I acquainted her captain with our situation, and the character of the fugitives, whose boat was rapidly pulling into the fog.—Not a second was lost in the pursuit. The sloop-of-war glided majestically by, and, just as she passed across her forefoot, a stream of fire gushed from one of her guns. The boat flew to splinters, leaving her crew struggling and shrieking in the water. We could see, even at our distance, the wounded wretches fighting for a plank, or squattering a moment on the water, like wounded ducks, ere they sank for ever. In a few minutes all was still in the vicinity of the spot where the barge went down. As for the canoes they disappeared at once, the negroes in them making the best of their way ashore.

The Western Chamber.

You may be very sure I slept very little that night, after the second cry. I arose and dressed myself, and sat down by the fire, that now burned up clearer and brighter. The flickering, dancing lights leaped up around the armor that hung in the recess; the mail was rusty and old, yet there were still many points for the fire to shape fantastic figures on. Watching these ever-varying pictures, and absorbed in reflections that naturally arose from my night adventures, I did not heed the rustling of the tapestry, nor the slow movement of the heavy curtains around my bed, till a loud crash caused me to jump to my feet with terror. From the universal din, far above and distinct, rose again that fearful, unearthly cry—that clear, distinctly womanly shriek—the like I pray I may never hear again. For several moments I stood still, petrified with horror, staring aghast into the darkness. All was quiet; the measured dropping of the rain on the leaves, and the moaning of the wind, were the only sounds heard. Through an open door, at the end of the long dark corridor, I saw, through an open window, the moon struggling through the heavy rain-clouds, and shining with a ghastly light on the dark floor.

I closed and fastened the door, which I had not seen before, but now the tapestry, being disarranged by the fall of the armor, revealed. I then sat down again. To wait with listening dread for the morning was now my occupation. At last the heavy gray curtains were rolled back, and, with mist-clouds around him, the sun came up from the horizon.

With the morning came life to me. I arose from my seat, and paced with quick steps the floor, revolving in my mind the scenes of the previous night and their meaning.

When, some hours after, the servant came into my room, he went to the bedside, and not seeing me, he glanced around the room, and looked astonished when he saw me by the opened casement. For the first time I noticed that in my confusion I had put on the scarlet and gold coat Francois had left in my room. This, with my disordered looks, gave me a grotesque and horrible appearance.

With the aid of Pierre, I put myself in a more presentable appearance, yet Madame D'Auvigne was startled by the alterations in my looks; the careless, gay air, with which I had parted from her, was succeeded by a languid, expectant look. With true politeness, she avoided any particular inquiries as to the cause of this change.

"Where was Francois? He had been sent for just as he was returning to a neighboring chateau; she did not know what for; some urgent business, she supposed, or he would not have gone at such an unseasonable hour; and the storm coming up, she supposed he staid all night. Would I be helped to some omelet?"

I ate my breakfast mechanically. I was anxiously awaiting Francois, who I hoped would give me some solution of this mystery.

After we had gone into the drawing-room, I walked up and down, keeping a watch for him. The rain now fell denser and heavier; a thick fog pervaded the air, so that I could just barely see the figures of the servants in the court-yard.

At last, to dispel the wearisome quiet, I sat down by my hostess, who sat knitting by the fire, and asked her if there were no legends attached to the house.

"O yes! of course there were a great many, and some of the most prominent were the Well-water Spirit, the Abbe's Crime, and the Warning. Shall I tell you one?"

"Yes, if she would be kind enough."

"Which one?"

"Any—the Warning, if it pleases you."

"I am afraid you will tire of an old woman's garrulity. Francois says my stories have an alpha, but no omega."

"It was, of course, some centuries ago—for stories, like wine, are improved by age—that the count of our family had two children, a daughter of twenty and a son younger. There is a singular law of entail in our house that you may not be aware of; the chateau and estate go to the eldest child without regard to sex; the eldest male bears the name, and has an estate in Provence—so that now I, the lineal descendant, bear the name of my husband, while the nobler one of our family is in a more distant branch.

"This young lady was distinguished, as are all the daughters of our house, for great beauty.—You smile; yet I, in my time, bore the palm at court, till the celebrated Maria of Spain made her appearance there. So beautiful an heiress had many suitors; but many who rode over the drawbridge elated with hope, rode out again depressed with disappointment.

"The reason for the rejection of so many nobles, was now fighting in Palestine for the holy sepulchre and fortune. Their love was acknowledged only by each other, for though noble by birth, his castle was small and retainers few.

"At last, enraged by the obstinacy of his daughter, her father told her she should marry after Easter, and he left it with herself whether he or she should make the choice.

"'Father, will you suffer me to marry the one I chose?'

"'If his birth is equal to yours.'

"She named her absent lover, and her father's anger was unbounded; he sorely repented he did not stipulate for equal fortune—but his knightly word was pledged.

"But when the young soldier returned, he came with fortune among his retainers; not in vain had been his valor.

"The happiness of his sister fanned the ambitious and disappointed hopes of her brother into a blaze. Spoiled in childhood by his mother, and constantly hearing her lament his misfortune in being the youngest, all his kindly feelings were smothered; and when he watched his sister dandle his baby nephew in her arms, he viewed him only as another obstacle to his advancement.

"Again the young knight, after two years of peace at home, interrupted only by slight excursions, went forth to war.

"As he rode away, he turned and looked up to the casement, and saw Blanche with the babe in her arms; her eyes were wet and heavy with tears, while the babe laughed and crowed at the long and bright procession. He saw not the scowl on his young brother-in-law's brow, but rode away anticipating a joyous meeting soon.

"He had been gone a month or two, when one windy, stormy night, all the inhabitants of the castle were awakened from their sleep by a wild shriek—a cry full of horror and mortal dread. Again it rang out, and the third time the castle was full of commotion. They hurried in the direction of the scream. Alas! alas! in the middle of the floor, clasping her babe in her arms, lay the white and fair lady. Over the floor flowed the crimson blood; the child was alone unspotted by the fearful stain. The dastard murderer had made sure of his work, for its soft limbs were limp and helpless, and his soft blue eyes now wore an expression of amazement.

"The group was silent from very horror and and anguish, till the mother rushed through tem, and threw herself on the floor, and clasped the corpse of her daughter in her arms. With difficulty did they force her away; and as she went, she raised her hand to heaven, and swore by the blood that stained it, never to look at the murderer of her children. And, though none dared accuse the brother, who was away, of any share in the deed, yet suspicion was rife when it was known that his mother would never see him again.

"And now, 'tis said, when a member of the family dies, the Lady Blanche, with her child, lives over again her awful death."

I gasped for breath. Intent in her story, the old lady heeded me not; her eyes were fixed on the blazing logs.

"And 'tis also said that in the chamber—I will show you the room, 'tis called the West Chamber——"

Good heavens! The room that Francois had put me in in his frolic—the room I was in all night!

"After her husband's death which happened soon after, his armor was hung in the room, to fall when the family becomes extinct. There it still hangs, and probably——"

Whether the old lady said any more, I know not, for my attention was attracted by a whispering at the door. There stood the servants in a group, a horror-stricken knot, and from the midst of them was borne in the room the son and heir—the bruised and crushed remains of Francois!

BOARD OF DELEGATES.—The Sacramento *Union* of Jan. 29th says: A meeting of the Board of Delegates of the Fire Department was held last evening at the house of Eureka Engine Company, on Fifth street, near K. The following named members were present, Aitkin, Housman, Aspel, Koneman, Hoyt, Keenan, Billings, Marshall, Rowland, Sweetzer, Watson, Cummings, Swinerton, Badlam, and Smith. The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with. George Rowland, chairman of the committee appointed at last meeting to revise the Act of 1853, governing the Fire Department of the city—for embodiment in the Consolidation Bill—rendered a report which was adopted after considerable discussion and amendment. The committee had retained, according to their instructions when appointed, the principal features of the present law. The chief discussion arose with reference to the salaries of the officers of the Department. A portion of the members thought the salaries should be fixed by the Legislature, while others desired the matter to be left under the control of the Board of Delegates. An amendment offered by John C. Keenan, was finally adopted, fixing the salary of the Chief Engineer at $2,000, the same as at present, and that of the Secretary at $1,000—$400 more than at present. The salaries of the Assistant Engineers are abolished, and they are relieved from the duty of Fire Wardens. The Board of Delegates will have no power, if the bill becomes a law, to either increase or decrease these salaries. An additional clause was added, making it the duty of the President and Secretary of the Board of Supervisors to sign exempt certificates. After amendment and adoption, the report was referred back to the committee, with instructions to engross it as amended, and place it in the hands of the county delegation in the Senate. The Board then adjourned.

Explanation and Justification.

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 29th, 1858.

Editors Union: Gentlemen—The under-signed, a committee appointed at a meeting of Confidence Engine Co. No. 1, held Jan. 28 h, were instructed to request the name of the author of a false and slanderous communication signed "Fireman," which appeared in the *Daily Union* of Thursday last, and which reflects upon the character of each and every member of the company. They believe that their duty to themselves and to the public demands that this information shall no longer be withheld.

Respectfully Yours,

CHAS. H. SHAW,
JAMES LANSING,
JAMES W. CALVYN.

SACRAMENTO, Jan 29th, 1858.

Editors Union:—As the author of the communication complained of by Confidence Engine Co. No. 1, and in response to the request contained in the above card addressed to the editors of the *Union* by a committee appointed by the company, I desire to make, first, an explanation of the feelings under which my article was indited; and, secondly justify the general charges laid to the door of a "certain" fire company in this city. When too late to change or modify the heading of the article in question, the thought struck me that it was too severe, and that possibly throughout the communication I might have been too sweeping in my language. This much I deeply regretted, and now assert the gratification I feel in having an opportunity to make the amende to such of the Company as are respectable, and who are not open to any other animadversion than that perhaps of having been too remiss in permitting their organization as a whole to become justly amenable to public reproof. I write "more in sorrow than in anger," and trust that the good sense and calm judgment of the leading members of that Company will guide them to a fair and honorable adjustment of the issue between them and myself.

I leave it for them to say what would have been their impulse as men, as firemen, as friends, had they seen one of their number bathed from head to foot in the blood drawn by an assassin's blow? To whom would their suspicions turn, if not to the most open and avowed enemies of their friend?—How quick would their anger have been turned towards a certain other Company of this place, had such an occurrence happened to one of their friends last Summer, in the immediate vicinity of that certain other Company's" Engine House? These must be the premises upon which to reason, for such were the foundation of my deductions. I saw my friend; one to whom I was bound by the peculiar ties of my profession; by the esteem which every one who knows him well *must* feel; by the chivalric respect which every manly heart must entertain for one who has the nerve to be fearless in the discharge of what he conceives to be his duty. I saw *that* friend bathed in his gore; saw the frightful wound which resulted from the deadly blow, given in the dark from behind; I saw *this*, and felt as every man would under the circumstances. My blood curdled with horror that such deeds should be committed in our midst and the perpetrator escape; and, as it that was not enough, I was forced to the belief by many circumstances of previous date, by remarks upon the street, by innate conclusions which, under the excitement of the moment, I could not dispel, that some one connected with an organization, in which there were many persons for whom I entertained the kindest feelings, was the perpetrator of the outrage. I wanted that organization, in justice to itself, in deference to public opinion, and for the credit and honor of the whole Fire Department, to publicly disavow any sympathy with the assassin, whether in or out of their Company. This much in explanation.

I claim that the record will bear me out in the assertion that the policy of that Company for some months past has been detrimental to the interests of the Fire Department, and suicidal to themselves as an organization. This may have been brought about by too great carelessness on the part of its worthy members in not attending the meetings of the Company, and by their sober judgment and influence restraining the hot heads and eager ones who knowing, or rather feeling, that they could rely upon Company pride and strength to sustain them in their difficulties, have been reckless of what they said and done. It has grated harshly upon my ears to hear some of the sentiments expressed by highly respectable members of that Company; but I do hope that such are the result of excitement, not the *real* promptings of their hearts. I will do them the justice, the kindness to believe their "sober second thought" is not what they avowed to me. But, from whatever cause these errors of which I deem members of the Company guilty, may have sprung, I hope their future course will eradicate them, and place it again in the proud and honorable position it should always have occupied as the pioneer organization in a Department that once had no superior for efficiency no rival in honorable, high minded emulation, no blot upon its escutcheon.

The limits of this article will not permit detail, or even a cursory glance, at the events of the past twelve months upon which my strictures were founded. I am willing, however, to give them in a subsequent communication, if called for. My motives are pure, however much I may offend those who have fallen under—not under *my* disapprobation—but under the ban of public opinion.—My actions are based upon principle, and should I err in my endeavors to do good to my fellow firemen, it is *not* because I cherish an enmity against them. They have done me no harm of which I can complain; I have no occasion to plunge recklessly a crusade against them. But there are public occurrences that call for the open condemnation of every good member of community, and of such kind are at least a few of the acts of some of those with whom I am now involved in controversy. If I am right, the community can sustain me without doing wrong to the organization in question—Should they be right, no one will hail the decision of the public with greater pleasure than myself.

In conclusion, I will say, that I feel there is no occasion to reply to the epithet "false" and "slanderous," used in the committee's communication; neither will I believe the assertion made by a member of Confidence Co. No. 1, to-day, that the company wished to get the author of "A Fireman's" communication, for the purpose of *hanging* him. The company intend no such action; I know it; I feel it. I have now the honor of subscribing myself the public's obedient servant,

MATT K. SMITH,
Of Neptune Hose Co. No. 1.

The Fireman's Journal

AND MILITARY GAZETTE.

MARCUS D. BORUCK, - - - - - - - Editor

SAN FRANCISCO

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1858.

During the debates which have taken place from time to time in the Board of Delegates touching matters appertaining to the Fire Department, frequent allusions have been made to the manner in which the laws were administered, and how the firemen were governed in New York. Since the formation of the Board of Delegates these allusions have in nine cases out of ten emanated from those companies whose representatives have so strenously opposed Mr. Whitney, during the late contest, and all questions connected with it, which would in the least favor him. Now we admit, although we are a "San Francisco Fireman," that many of the laws passed for the government of the New York Fire Department are most excellent in their provisions, and often very applicable to our own department, as the following will show.

It is well known to every member of the fire department of this city, and we believe to the entire community, that during the pendency of the contest between Mr. Nuttman and Mr. Whitney a strong effort was made to compel the Lafayette Hook and Ladder Company No. 2, (because it was thought they did'nt know any better and could be frightened into it) to produce their private books and papers for the examination of the members of the Board of Delegates. The order passed to the effect spoken of, did not receive the unanimous vote of the Board. The Lafayette Company at a meeting where forty-two members were present, refused without a dissenting voice, to accede to the demands of the Board, and in a firm, determined and respectful protest, denied the right of the Board in the premises, and refused to deliver up their books and papers. When the communication from the Lafayette's was read in the Board of Delegates, there was a diversity of opinion in regard to its reception. Some of the members of the Board wished it sent back to the company; others wished it received so that charges of disobedience of orders could be preferred against them. The latter prevailed, and as we understand, the same "prolific" source of charges will, so soon as Mr. Ezekiel is disposed of, endeavor to have the "Lafayettes" tried as above.

So far, so good. Now for a little New York law respecting the subject. Mr William H. Wickham, Foreman of Baxter Hook and Ladder Company No. 15, was ordered by the Board of Fire Commissioners, to produce the roll book and other private books and papers of his company for examination, which Mr. Wickham very properly refused to do. As a matter of course, there was a great excitement attendant upon his refusal of the demands of so important a branch of the government of the department. Mr. Wickham, however, was nothing daunted, and at a meeting of the Board of Engineers and Foremen, held at Fireman's Hall, on Monday evening, December 21st, 1857, after the transaction of some other business, the following action was had, which, for the sake of history and reference, we publish entire:

W. Wickham, of Hook and Laddor Company No. 15, offered the following:

WHEREAS, Much dissatisfaction exists among the active members of the Fire Department, relative to the recent action of the Board of Fire Commissioners, in examining Company roll books containing verbal charges against firemen, and the severity of their decision generally; and

WHEREAS, This Board although not legally constituted a power in the Department, represents, more than any other body, the active working portion of the firemen, who are almost entirely the subjects of the Fire Commissioner's jurisdiction, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Board do respectfully remonstrate against the Commissioners *taking upon themselves* the power to examine books which are *private property* of Companies, and over which we assert that no body of men in existence outside of a Company meeting, have any power or control.

Resolved, That this Board take the ground, that no fireman can legally be compelled to answer any other than written charges made and formally presented against him; and should such charges emanate from any one of the Commissioners, we claim it as as a sound principle of law and justice, that the accuser shall thereby be disqualified from sitting as a *judge*.

Resolved, That in every instance where complaint is made against any Company or individual in the Fire Department, we claim that any party implicated shall have the right to face his accuser, to hear the testimony against him—to cross-examine said accuser, and the privilege of introducing rebutting testimony to prove his innocence.

Resolved, That this Board also believe, that by a more conciliatory and temperate course of action in the rendering of decisions by the Commissioners, the peace and harmony of the Department will be better promoted, and the less of the time of the Commissioner Board be consumed in the transaction of busiuess.

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed by the Chairman to present these resolutions to the Fire Commissioners and state to them the views above referred to.

On a motion to adopt the above preamble and resolutions, the ayes and nays were called, with the following result:—

Ayes—Engine Companies, Nos. 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 22, 24, 25, 26, 34, 36, 37, 39, 40, 41, 44, 45, 48, 50 and 51.

Hose Companies, Nos. 2, 5, 6, 9, 15, 17, 21, 22, 28, 25, 27, 30, 31, 34, 37, 39, 41, 43, 45, 47, 49, 50, 51, 52, 54, 55, 56, 57 and 60.

Hook and Ladder Companies, Nos. 2, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 15—total 67.

Nays—Engineer Wenman—Engine Companies, Nos 4, 5, 12, 26, 27, 28, 31, 35, 38 and 42.

Hose Compauies, Nos. 1, 4, 7, 9, 10, 13, 19, 20, 24, 28, 29, 33, 36, 38, 46, 53, 61 and 62.

Hook and Ladder Companies, Nos. 3, 5, 6, 7, 9 14—total 35.

The preamble and resolutions were declared adopted, and the chair appointed as said committee, Wickham of Hook and Ladder Company No. 15, Taylor of Hose Company No. 38, Lyon of Engine Company No. 5, Walsh of Hose Company No. 60, Slowey of Engine Company No. 19.

Thus much for the production of books and papers. And now we wish to call the attention of the entire fire department and the members of Pennsylvania Fire Co. No. 12, particularly, to that portion of the second resolution published above. "In which it is claimed as a sound principle of law and justice, that the accused shall thereby be disqualified from sitting as a *judge*."

We appeal therefore to the members of No. 12, if it is in accordance with law and justice—If it is in accordance with all that is fair and honorable, if it is in accordance with their own self respect, to allow Franklin L. Jones, to sit in the Board of Delegates as the'r representative first making the accusations against and then judging Mr. Ezekiel upon them. It is a truth self evident, that no man occupying the position Mr. Jones does, would deliberately plan and make serious charges against a fellow member of the body of which he is a part, and the party charged a high official, unless he was satisfied of their truth, and of the guilt of the party charged. Under such construction of his intent and views, which we think are correct, we claim it as a right, thus publicly on behalf of Mr. Ezekiel, that Mr. Jones be not allowed (after his charges are made) to sit in judgment upon Mr. Ezekiel. It is his inherent right to demand it, and the members of No. 12, as liberal, conscientous and honorable men, have no right to refuse it. Let each individual place himself in the same position that Mr. Ezekiel is, for a moment, and reflecting on the odds against him in allowing such a violation of all law and justice, and he cannot hesitate for a moment in acknowledging the correctness of our remarks. If they falter in this matter, the charge that we made in last weeks issue, that Mr. Ezekiel was prejudged, will become a fixed fact in the minds of the people, and but little credit will be reflected on those having in their hands the means to secure him a fair trial and refused to use them.

Editorial Correspondence.

STOCKTON, Feb. 5th, 1858.

The people of this place are now in the enjoyment of the most beautiful weather, that has visited them for the past two months. During that time, cold, chilling, desponding fogs and rain have been their lot, whereas now, a clear and serene sky serves as their canopy, and a warm and genial sun, accompanied with just sufficient air to render the atmosphere pleasant, is their daily portion. If all those who feel "suicidically" inclined, could but imbue themselves, with the delights of such a climate as has been experienced here since Monday last, the fearful list would be no further increased. Although some of the "wiseacres," who inflict their emanations upon the community through the the "press," who indulge in the beauties of a glorious, bright and beautiful day, because the "weather," is a topic which to their minds has become obsolete, yet to my way of thinking, this same threadbare topic for discussion has much to do with the nervous system, and has been the most important motive power, that has impelled so many to "shuffle off this mortal coil," by their own hands. It is a well known fact the greatest number of suicides in England and France take place in March and November, when the season of fogs, rain and cold is on its course, and as the inhabitants of California are part and parcel of the same stock, there is no reason why the same causes should not influence them here, as there.

Speaking of this matter, has led me to think of the terrible accounts of crime and blood which go forward to the Atlantic States on the steamer of today. Far better would it have been, if the newspapers had not been such faithful chroniclers of passing events, so far as the prosperity of the State is concerned. Talk of the loss of the "Central America," retarding immigration to this State; in my opinion that terrible calamity sinks into utter insignificance, when compared to the history of California, for the last fifteen days. Its recital will deter many who were so inclined, from leaving their homes, and will retard our growth materially. It is true that the inclination to commit suicide may be traced to causes over which no earthly power has control, but there is a preventative to murder, arson, theft, robbery and rape, which should be applied to the greatest degree, whether the party receiving it is of the highest or lowest degree.—The loss of a steamship even with its hundreds of lives is no obstacle in the way of immigration—The force of public opinion will compel a safeguard for the future in that respect. But rampant crime with all its attendant horrors, has for the past, does for the present, and will for the future prevent an increase of population in our State, until the laws are administered with that promptness and severity which the exigency of the case demands. There is yet a lingering distrust in the force of the laws governing us, and until that is removed, by a manifest improvement in their fulfillment we cannot as a people, hope for prosperity.

The Fire Department of this city is in a very healthy condition. The rolls are full, the business of the companies kept up with great regularity, and considerable interest evinced in every particular.

On Tuesday evening the members of Eureka Engine Company No. 2, met for the transaction of general business, and for the election of a Foreman *vice* Wm. B. Clark, who has left for Oregon, at which meeting I was courteously invited to be present. The meeting was a full one. The delinquents, who by the way were very few, paid up their fines and dues with promptitude, and much enthusiasm displayed in dispatching the several matters coming up for discussion. Sol Pearsall, who has been acting Foreman since the resignation of Mr. Clark, was unanimously elected Foreman, and James Middleton, one of the early members of "Monumental 6," was elected First Assistant Foreman, *vice* Pearsall promoted. The "Eureka's" are about purchasing a new engine, and the general impression is *that they will procure one similar to* "Vigilant No. 9" of San Francisco, both in size and build. Letters have already been sent on to Messrs. Jeffers & Co. in regard to the matter.

At the meeting of the Board of Delegates on Tuesday evening next, the subject of exemption will come up. The members of this department, like those of all the other organizations in the State except that of San Francisco, are acting under the Exemption Law of March 25th, 1853, and their exemption in accordance with its provisions, dates from the 1st Jan. 1853. There are a number already exempt in this department.

The new State Law to govern the firemen of this city, will also be presented to the Board on Tuesday evening, for their action. It will be an improvement on that applicable to San Francisco, and in it the Governor will not have the power to "appoint," a Chief in case of a vacancy. The law will call for the payment of a salary of $750 per annum to the Chief Engineer and $250 to the Secretary of the Department, both of which officers are entitled to that remuneration, at least, for their services. The idea of men working any longer in those positions for love and glory, is a humbug and farce, and it is time the curtain was dropped upon it. In my next, I will give some information in regard to Engines 1, and 3, and H. & L. 1.

The "Episcopalians," have lately been constructing a very pretty little brick church "St. John's" across the slough, on El Dorado street. The cost of it is to be about $8,000, but it is not yet finished. For the purpose of raising funds in its aid a "calico ball," was given at the City Hall, on Tuesday evening, which was a very pleasant and successful affair. About sixty couple were present. The entertainment broke up very early—in the morning.

The "Stockton City Blues," contemplate giving a grand ball on Monday evening the 22d inst. They were to parade on to-morrow in full uniform, but whether they will or not, is undecided.

Captain W. L Simmons, for a long time the popular and efficient agent of Wells Fargo & Co. at Sonora, and for the year past in this place, is to take charge of the Sacramento office on March 1st. Mr. Knight the former agent at the latter place, having taken Mr. Vansyckle's position at San Francisco. It has not transpired who is to receive the agency here, but personally I should like to see my old friend T. R. Anthony, the present cashier promoted to so responsible a trust. B.

HUTCHING'S MAGAZINE.—We thank the publishers for the February number of this excellent monthly. It contains a well written article entitled "Overland for a Railway, from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean," which is illustrated with many good engravings of scenes upon the route. "Mary Morton," "Three Years in California," "The Spirits Lodge, a Legend of Lake Bigler" and many other articles judiciously selected from the editor's budget of original contributions. In fact from the local and characteristic nature of its contents, their periodical is becoming a feature of our State, and we heartily wish it success.

NUMBER NINE'S BALL.—Every exertion is being made to make the ball of Vigilant Engine Company the "excelsior" ball of the season, the committee of Arrangements are exerting themselves to the utmost, and everything promises a most delightful evenings entertainment. By reference to the advertisement it will be seen that no tickets will be sold at the door, (a wise precaution) and as the number is limited, parties intending to be present should call upon the committee immediately.

COLUMBIAN 11.—Mr. John Toomey has been elected First Assistant Foreman, of Columbian Engine Co. No. 11, *vice* Jacob Freeman, resigned.

From Our Regular Correspondent

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 4th, 1858.

Editor Fireman's Journal:—The "fire talk" during the past week has been almost entirely on subjects arising from the assault of No. 1 upon No. 3, on the morning of the 25th ult. In my last, I referred to two communications in the *Age* and *Union*. I had barely time to read them before I had to close, or I would have examined them more particularly. The one in the *Union*, having for its text "are ye also murderers?" was a very sweeping charge against the *whole* of No. 1's company, accusing them of many disgraceful acts, and was evidently written in a state of high excitement.—The evening of its appearance, No. 1 held a meeting, and appointed a committee of three—Messrs. Shaw, Lansing, and Calvyn, to wait upon the editor of the *Union*, and obtain, if possible, the name of the author. They were told to call again, and upon so doing were informed that if they presented their request in writing it would be answered. They did so, and the next morning there appeared another card, apologizing to the *respectable* members of the company, and stating that the first card was written during high mental excitement, but not retracting one charge contained in the previous card. To the great surprise of everybody, myself included, it was signed Matt. K. Smith, of Neptune Hose, a gentleman previously supposed to take but little interest in the department. On Saturday evening, No 1 again held a meeting, and adopted a series of resolutions, which were ordered published in the morning papers. The *Journal* speaks of them as being the essence of "cool dignity and gentility." They certainly are *dignified*, and as to the *coolness*, I endorse that portion to the letter; for in one of said resolutions they say, "we are not conscious of *any* act which should forfeit the esteem of the citizens of Sacramento!" Well, what do you think of that? Why they owe a public apology to this community for the unprovoked assault upon the member of No 3 at the time previously referred to. It is a noticeable fact that they make no reference to said assault in their card, thereby virtually admitting that they can offer no excuse for their misconduct. The company has two allies in the *Age* and *Journal*. The *Age* came to their rescue on Friday last, and endeavored to smooth over matters by calling the whole department to account, which proves what I said in my last, that the innocent would have to suffer as well as the guilty, and that all firemen, no matter how good citizens they were, would be classed under the sweeping term of "rowdies." I would like to review all the articles that have appeared upon the subject, but my letter is already too extended, as I have heard several say that my communications were too long.

I have the pleasure of noticing a fact which has not occurred in a long time, viz: During the past ten days we have not had a single alarm of fire.

The Board of Delegates held their regular meeting on Tuesday evening. The committee, to whom was referred the matter of altering the present State law, so as to conform to the Consolidation Bill, reported said bill to be in the hands of the Senator, and were discharged. The committee, to whom was referred the petition of J. B Blanchard, praying for an exempt certificate, reported adversely, as said Blanchard will not have served his time till June, 1859. That was a very modest request coming from an ex-Assistant Engineer and Foreman, was it not?

The Treasurer of the Charitable Fund, sent in a very full semi-annual report, from which it appears that the total receipts during that period were $1,-137 98—with a cash balance on hand of $952 51. Compare this with your San Francisco receipts and you will acknowledge the need of the insurance tax. The total amount of our charitable fund at present is $7,894, in which is included the powder magazine (known as Folger's monument) and lot, which cost I believe in the neighborhood of $4000, and which at present does not pay 1 per cent. a month

There has been some trouble in No. 1 Hose Company, relative to Mr. Smith's cards in the *Union*. I do not exactly understand what they were, but at any rate a communication from two of their members claiming seats in the Board, and protesting against the present two, Mr. Smith being one of them, was referred to the Judiciary Committee. The Board reconsidered the vote whereby the exempt certificate was ordered to be executed by Messrs. Nahl's new process and ordered it to be executed on steel—a very good move, but it will be the cause of the present exempts waiting a long while for a copy. I expect that it will be executed about the time that I become exempt, nearly two years, when I hope there will be money enough in the treasury to pay for the execution and each exempt receive a copy free.

Hook and Ladder 1 at their last meeting elected W. H. Watson (known among the boys as "Uncle Billy"), President, *vice* W. G. English, resigned.—Mr. W. is an *active* fireman, a scarce article in the company, an excellent presiding officer, and ought to have been President of the Board of Delegates. The same company generously presented Mr. Crawford, who was badly injured by their truck sometime since, with $50.—By the way, I saw Jack out the other day so I expect he will soon be able to run again.

No. 1 give a grand ball at the National Theatre, on the 22d inst.. You bet it will be a good one, for they are the boys who know how to get up such things. I hope they will realize something handsome from it, for they have put the tickets at the low rate of $5.

I notice two very absurd mistakes in printing my last letter; it reads "steamboat burning" it should be ringing of a steamboat bell. The other mistake reads "unfortunately in service"—it should be, the only apparatus in service.

Mr. Exempt gets his back up in his last letter, and uses an expression I should hardly expect from him; I trust he will never have occasion to pass the portals of the gates he mentions.

I know of no other items, except that 6's house is rapidly progressing, and will probably be finished next week. Adios,

J. LINGOLAY.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.—The twenty-second of February will soon arrive. We hope it will not be passed over in silence. A day which commemorates so important an event as the birthday of a nation's deliverer should be worthily celebrated.—That the heart of every American holds and will ever hold in grateful remembrance the Father of his Country, no one can doubt; but such remembrance is usually silent. It is due to the memory of that greatest and best of men that the day which gave him to the world should have some outward observance. We have heard as yet but of one military company, the Independent National Guard, who intend to parade on that day. We hope they will not be alone. Nothing more surely portends a disregard and decadence of the cherished institutions of one's country than a negligent observance of the recurrence of those days, which recall the most important events of its history. God help America, when the memory of her Washington and the independence he fought to secure fades from the hearts of her people!

MANHATTAN No. 2.—At the annual election of Manhattan Engine Co. No. 2, held at their house on the evening of Feb. 1st, the following officers were duly elected:—Mr. Ira Cole, foreman; Mr. P. T. Rodgers, first assistant; Mr. J. D. Nichols, secretary; Mr. T. P. Smith, treasurer.

The Market Street Railroad.

Many years ago, when the enterprising inhabitants of our infant city had, for various reasons become dissatisfied with the course and bearing of the blocks and streets as there laid out, the late Wm. M. Eddy, then City Surveyor, was ordered by the presiding rulers of the Commonwealth to make a new survey. The work which he completed in accordance with this order is now known as the official survey of the City of San Francisco, and is that exhibited by the various maps now in common use by our citizens. By that survey, the Northern portion of the city comprised between the Bay and Market street is intersected by streets which run East and West and North and South, parallel to each other. The Southern portion, also bounded by Market street and the Bay, is intersected by streets which run Northwesterly and Southeasterly and Northeasterly and Southwesterly, the two portions being divided by Market street. It was upon this street that the eyes of the early settlers were fastened with peculiar interest, and was fondly called by them, "the backbone of the city." By its relative position it deserved the name. It led directly from the Mission of Dolores to what was believed would be the most central mart of commerce. Broad and spacious it was laid out with every regard to the convenience of a busy throng and the wants of a thriving community. Its originators pleased themselves with the anticipations of the time when its surface smoothly and firmly paved, its sides lined with stately and substantial edifices, and lines of lamps illuminating it by night and ornamenting it by day, it should become the grand avenue of the city, the natural course of its trade, and the favorite promenade of the gay and the pleasure-seeking, rivaling in its beauty and importance the far famed Broadway of New York There convenient lines of omnibuses should ply rapidly, conveying passengers from place to place. There the carriages of the wealthy, or the dashing curricle of the man of pleasure, should mingle in almost inextricable confusion in one continuous throng with the heavily laden cart or dray. There on each side elegant stores should display the varied products of the world, and there over its level sidewalks should wend the hurried man of business, and trip the gorgeous votaries of fashion, and by this route should enter numberless wagons bringing to market the inexhaustible products of the neighboring ranches. Alas for human imaginings, Market street, for the greater part of its extent, has experienced but little change since first laid out. Its course, now as then, leads over sand hills, amid stunted trees and brambles, and were it not for the position of an occasional and lonely house, or the dilapidated remains of fence put up in former days as a protection against squatters, the weary wanderer in the outskirts of the city would hardly know even its direction. And yet the superior advantages of the street, and its prospective utility, have never been lost sight of. It has always been looked upon as the great best avenue to the city; and in view of this, projects have been from time to time started to make it the line of a railroad. Many of them, however, had existence rather in the brain of their projectors than in any actual demonstrations, while some were abandoned almost as soon as formed on account of their infeasibility. Others, again, sufficiently practicable to lead to the formation of a company to carry them into execution, were dropped, or at least remain quiescent, on account of the objections made to the city granting the privileges which the projectors deemed necessary. Among the latter must be classed the stupendous and magnificent scheme of Samuel Brannan, Esq., which, in view of the manifest advantages that would eventually accrue to the city, we did not consider liable to the objections which were raised to it. However, that gentleman's capital is now otherwise employed, and we must look to other sources for the consummation of his plan. A grant or contract was made some time since by the city to a company of which Thomas Hayes, Esq., late County Clerk, is a prominent member, that in our opinion possesses mutual advantages for both parties. But so far as we can learn, nothing has yet been done under it. What is the reason? With the natural zeal for the welfare of our adopted city, which every good citizen feels, we have waited anxiously to hear of a commencement. How long shall that gratification be denied? It is a matter in which the whole city is interested, and an occasional report of the progress of the work would be gladly welcomed. Surely the obstacles are not too great. The grading or excavating the few sand hills and valleys to be encountered on that route would require no very large outlay, and that once done the means to procure the rails and cars and locomotive could soon be obtained. If the present association should be made a stock company, there would be no difficulty in selling the necessary quantity of stock; or, if it prefers to retains its privileges to itself, as little difficulty would be encountered in obtaining a loan of a sufficient amount of money.

The above remarks were suggested by a desire to know if it be advisable for the company to declare the present condition of its affairs and the obstacles in the way of its working, for if the former is encouraging and the latter not too great, we know that there are hundreds of our citizens directly interested, who would cheerfully lend a helping hand and purse to further the objects of the association, and make Market street what it was intended to be, and what it ought to be, "the backbone of the city." Want of space compels us to defer much which we wished to say upon this matter to another occasion, meanwhile we hope to hear from some one directly interested in the matter.

Fires and Alarms.

Feb. 2d, 9 P. M.—Hall Bell; 7th District; frame building on Sutter street near Sansome; building partially consumed; loss about $600. Tiger 14 first water, California 4, second.

Feb. 3d, 8 P. M.—Hall Bell; 8th District; frame building in Rassette Place, between Sutter and Post running from Kearny; damage about $150. Columbian No. 11, first water.

Feb. 5th, 4 P. M.—Alarm from Monumental bell; Miners' Restaurant, Commercial street; no damage. No. 5 on the ground ready for service.

CHIEF WHITNEY.—We regret to announce that the Chief Engineer was again taken quite seriously ill on Thursday last, consequent from exposure at the last two fires. On yesterday he was removed from his rooms, to the private residence of a friend, where every care and attention will be bestowed upon him, and we hope in our next issue to be able to chronicle the entire recovery of his health.

FUSILEER'S BALL.—We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to attend the ball of the California Fusileer's which takes place at the Turn-Verien Hall, on Monday evening February 22d. A number of the military of this city will be present in uniform, and we have no doubt the ball will be a brilliant affair. The Independent National Guard parade during the day and a number will no doubt grace the Hall with their presence in the evening

TIGER 14.—The Board of Supervisors have authorized the advertising for proposals to complete the engine house of Tiger 14, according to plans already adopted. The work is to be executed under the superintendance of the Chief Engineer, the Fire and Water Committee of the Board and the Trustees of the company.

The House of Refuge.

What has become of the "Howard" of San Francisco?—the good Samaritan, whose appeals in behalf of the wayward and erring youth of our city so lately stirred the hearts of the readers of the *Bulletin*? Does his silence proceed from discouragement at the lukewarmness with which our citizens responded to his efforts, or, like the athlete, weary with the contest, is he pausing only to take breath, and gather up his strength for a more vigorous encounter? We hope he has not abandoned the good work; for, wanting his strong arm and no less powerful pen, it must needs stand still. There is no community in the world of the same size that presents so great diversities of character as ours. Read the record daily published in our newspapers. In one column, you peruse a heart-thrilling account of a noble youth, who slaves body and soul to relieve the needy age of a helpless father. In another, that of a heartless wretch who turns his only parent from his door, and drives him forth to want and beggary, almost to suicide. Amid the report of a meeting of some charitable association, you see a notice of one of our millionaires bestowing a thousand dollars or so for its benefit, while by its side, among the law proceedings, you read there record of a griping Shylock, turning a poor but industrious family out of house and home for non payment of an usurious rate of interest. These contesting instances show that here as elsewhere men have different natures, and that there are some noble, generous souls, who are an honor to their race. We are proud to boast that San Francisco has many such. Yet, with all due deference to the superior judgment of Mr. Brooks, and a proper respect for the striking instance of wholesouled benevolence displayed on numerous occasions by our citizens, we do not think his plan a feasible one, and we could have wished that it offered a larger theatre for the assistants as well as actors. It would be difficult, even in a generous community like ours, to find forty men who would be willing to advance a thousand or two thousand dollars for the best and most charitable institution in the world. Why make it so exclusive?—It is a matter of such vital interest to the whole County—nay, to the whole State—as to deserve a public and universal participation. Every husband, father, son, brother, mother, wife, and sister, must feel a lively interest in the foundation and prosperity of so necessary an asylum. Let, then, every man, woman, and child assist in establishing it. Would it not be well to call a meeting of the citizens to provide the mode and means for the construction of an institution, for which everyone admits there is the most vital necessity? Let everyone at that meeting contribute towards it what he is able. Let trustees be appointed to take charge of the fund so raised, and increase it by other collections. Then they would be in a position to seek such aid from the Supervisors or Legislature as might be necessary for the permanence and security of the end proposed, and thus to an "airy nothing" might be given a "local habitation and name," and an institution be founded. which all would feel a lively interest in fostering and providing for, because they would consider themselves in some measure part owners of it.

MAGUIRE'S OPERA HOUSE.—During the week, Mr. Maguire has favored his patrons with a capital burlesque and a fairy extravaganza, beside the usual number of pleasing farces. The week opened on Monday night with the "Corsair," which, as was due to the character of the entertainment offered, was witnessed by as many persons as could be crowded into the house. On Thursday evening, the burlesque was withdrawn to make place for the fairy play of "Beauty and the Beast," which proved no less attractive than the former piece. The musical accompaniments of these pieces are of a very excellent and refined character, and we may mention that the execution of the "Pirate's Chorus," from the "Enchantress," was inexpressibly superb, giving evidence that the long experience and elegant taste of Mr. Maguire in matters of music are now proving greatly advantageous to him.

In regard to the acting of Mrs. John Wood, we can only reiterate our former expressed opinions That she has reached the greatest perfection in the dramatic art is beyond question; and to her mental requirements are added, too, personal attractions that a Helen might envy. The merry twinkle of her soul-lit eye, the graceful toss of her midnight-crowned head, and the indefinable ease of her every movement, all give assurance of the joyfully intellectual nature within. It would, indeed, be a pleasant task to recount the many beauties of this lady, to enlarge upon her genius, and praise her *physique*; and while it would be a gratification to indulge in the former, we leave the performance of the latter to a contemporary who appears to delight in a display of his anatomical knowledge.

Mr. Wood increased the number of his friends this week by his judicious personations. As Wormwood, the lawyer's clerk, in the farce of the "Lottery Ticket," he was particularly happy. Mrs. Judah, Miss Grattan, and the other members of the troupe, sustained their allotted parts with ability and precision, and taken altogether we have had a week of real pleasure and enjoyment at the Opera House.

Next week, a burlesque on "Cinderella" will be produced with new trappings and mountings, and will be gotten out in a style of unusual magnificence. The legend is familiar to every one, and is so very suggestive that a rich treat may be expected.

THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE ORPHAN ASYLUM.—The assembly gathered at Musical Hall, on the evening of the 2d inst., to celebrate the anniversary of this excellent and praiseworthy institution, was a convincing proof of the assertion of the orator of the occasion, that however diverse might be the pursuits and objects of mankind, sympathy was a universal bond holding them together; and amid the turmoil and bustle of the worlds war;—at the cry of the helpless and distressed, they were ever ready with one accord to make a truce to strife and join in relief and assistance. The hall on that evening presented a scene which must be remembered with tender emotions by all who were present. A large audience had assembled to observe the progress of an esteemed and cherished association. First in interest were the recipients of its blessings. There ranged in the ascending seats near the stage, neatly and uniformly attired, were forty-six orphaned children, who, but for the exertions of a few noble-hearted, devoted ladies, might have been friendless, homeless, and helpless. The exhibition commenced with a prayer by Rev. Mr. Willey; then followed singing by the choir and children; then the reading of the report of the Treasurer, which showed a condition of affairs of the institution, which, aside from some little trepidation with regard to the future, must have been very gratifying to its founders and friends. Then all the children, led by their teacher, Miss Austin, and assisted by the choir, joined in a hymn of praise and thanksgiving, whose simple pathos and melody called forth the tenderest emotions. The address by Rev. F. C. Ewer, which followed, was eloquent, appropriate, and worthy of that distinguished divine; it was clothed in the choicest language, and abounded in those beautiful similes which characterize his admired discourses, and ended with an appeal for the orphans, so fervent and impassioned as to thrill every nerve and melt every heart. That the collection which followed was not as great in amount as it should be, must be attributed to the fact that on account of the present monetary pressure, the purses of the auditors were not as full as their hearts. But the appeal has been made and we trust that in more prosperous times will meet a more generous response.

Sacramento.

On the outside may be found a communication from Mat K. Smith, of Neptune Hose Co. in reply to an enquiry from Confidence No. 1, as to the authorship of an article which appeared in the *Union*. Below we give the reply of Confidence Company to Mr. Smith's Communication.

TO THE CITIZENS OF SACRAMENTO.

At a meeting of Confidence Engine Co. No. 1, held Saturday evening Jan. 30th, the following statement was adopted, and ordered to be published.

WM. J. RIKER, Secretary.

As it has been thought proper by one Matt K. Smith to attack the members of Confidence Engine Co No. 1 in a gross and outrageous manner, charging them with murder and other crimes of less magnitude, the company have thought it due both to themselves and to the citizens, to contradict the statements therein made, and in so doing would simply remark that the opinions and assertions of the person alluded to would have been treated with the contempt which they merit had not his statements been circulated in a respectable journal, in such a manner as to render some action on our part imperative.

In the first place, we, each and all of us, condemn the recent assault made upon Mr. Folger, and publicly state that *no* members of Confidence Engine No. 1 were guilty of that attack, and that an assertion, without proof, is not a sufficient reason why we should be urged to obtain evidence to prove the negative of the proposition advanced by our enemies.

Though, to use the phrase in the card, "the rowdy Manhattans" were not our guests, yet, as they were *strangers* in the city being invited by two other companies, we are willing to assume what follies, if any, they committed; but at the same time deny that any members of our company or the Manhattan, were engaged in what is termed "the first assault on Mr. Folger," a fact which has been repeatedly established.

The washings of disreputable houses did not commence last winter, but had its origin in an attack upon a house on J street, between Seventh and Eighth, owned by Gov. J. C. Smith, and we can but remark, that the originators and participants in that affair are now loudest in their condemnation of similar acts, when engaged in by other members of the department.

The writer of the card has thought proper to allude to the engine race last summer. It is true that the company did engage in a race, upon being challenged, which we lost, and the money with it. But here, we desire the public to know that *seemingly* we had no stronger *friend* than Matt K. Smith, who was exceedingly annoying to members of our company by his expression of strong desires for the defeat of our opponents. We find nothing to regret in the affair except the loss of $250.

The prize secured at Stockton was awarded by a committee of engineers from different cities throughout the State, whose opinions on the matter are, perhaps as worthy of consideration as those of the author of the communication.

If those interested will examine the rolls of the different companies, they will find that the offices, federal, State, county and city, are far from being monopolized by the members of this company.

The writer appears to be conversant with the correspondent of a disreputable sheet in San Francisco; a species of information which we neither desire nor claim.

We make no claim to perfection, but contend that isolated cases of disorder, by members of the company when acting as individuals, are not justly chargeable to our organization.

The assertion that the members of this company are "detestably mean from inclination," comes with poor grace from one who has not hesitated to partake, repeatedly, of its hospitalities, and to seek not unfrequently, the portals of that building which he now designates as a "refuge for rowdies." His expressed fear of violence is based on too slight a foundation to require any attention at our hands.

We conceive that we might justly refer to the slanders which have repeatedly been circulated against us by one of the city papers, and which would admit of no rejoinders, but we have no desire to trouble the public with anything except necessary replies to disgraceful calumnies

We intend in the future, as in the past, to devote ourselves to the duties of our organization regardless of the flattery of friends or the falsehoods of unprincipled enemies.

To the citizens of Sacramento we are indebted for a liberal encouragement, and not being conscious of any act which should forfeit their esteem, we shall still continue to battle in that warfare which "destroys to save."

RECORDING OF JUDGMENTS.—A bill is before the Legislature, the object of which is to legalize the records of the County of San Francisco, or, in other words, to make every document, deed, or instrument of any kind recorded in the Hall of Records, from the earliest date to the present time constructive notice of its contents. This may seem to many somewhat sweeping in its nature. But it is not a whit more so than the exigencies of circumstances which call for its passage require. It would be a very excellent enactment, and of general benefit to the city and county. We can see no objection to it, except in the case of fraudulent instruments or conveyances, and the law might be so framed as not to operate to confirm them. With this exception, it is one whose passage all our citizens should join in recommending. There are numberless conveyances and instruments of record in the aforesaid Hall, which are doubtless "bona fide" instruments, and intended to do all that they recite; but because of some technical informality, or non-compliance in some minute particular with the provisions of the statute, are stigmatized as void, and cast a cloud upon many a title, which, as far as the parties to the instruments themselves are concerned, is unquestionably perfect. It would be to confirm these that the proposed law would operate. The fraudulent conveyances are so few in number as to be hardly worth the exceptional provision above suggested. We earnestly urge the passage of this law.

While upon this subject, we cannot refrain from calling the attention of our legislators to the propriety of a law making it necessary for all judgment creditors to record a transcript of their judgments, obtained in any of our courts, in the office of the County Recorder, in order to perfect their lien upon real estate. The object of this would be to furnish a more comprehensive, concise, and perfect notice. Under the present system of affairs, in order to ascertain with regard to judgments, it becomes necessary to search through the dockets of four or five different courts, situated at a considerable distance from the place devoted to the other records of the county, and also at some distance from each other. To say nothing of the unnecessary loss of time and increased labor which this state of things involves, it is far more uncertain and unsatisfactory than would be the case were all collected in one building—an arrangement which it strikes us would be more safe and advantageous both for the searchers and parties interested.

VISITORS.—We have been favored this week with a visit from Mr. W. S. R. Taylor, of Yreka. Mr. Taylor was one of the originators of the Yreka Engine Company, lately established there, and is now on his way to the Atlantic States where he will superintend the building of the Hunneman engine lately ordered by the corporate authorities of that town. We are convinced that Mr. Taylor will find Hunneman & Co. "honest capable and faithful to the contract" and the citizens will find the engine to realize their most sanguine expectations.

MANHATTAN.—The Chief Engineer by order of the Board of Supervisors has advertised the engine of Manhattan 2, for sale. Their little white engine is being repaired at the shop of of Mr. J. L. Ottignon and will be ready for service in a few days.—Atpresent the company are running their hose-carriage.

SACRAMENTO.—Senator Johnson's bill to consolidate the city and county of Sacramento provides that the Chief Engineer shall receive $2,000 per year, and the Secretary $1,000. No provision is made for payment of the Assistants.

Yreka.

HALL YREKA ENGINE CO. No. 1.
January 27th 1858.

Editor Fireman's Journal:—At a meeting of Yreka Engine Co. No. 1, held last evening the following officers were unanimously elected to serve the ensuing year: Foreman, F. M. Ranaus; First Assistant, J. Babb; Second Assistant, J. P. Smith; Secretary, A. Goldsmith; Treasurer, Chas. Peters; C. W. TOZER, Sec'y pro tem.

THE WHALE'S CARCASE NEAR THE OCEAN HOUSE.—We learn by an item in the *Morning Call*, relating how a gay picnic party of ladies and gentlemen made a ludicrous mistake, that the carcase of a whale is now lying on the beach between the Ocean House and the Seal Rock House. We call the attention of the California Academy of Natural Sciences to the fact. A good opportunity is now presented to obtain an entire and perfect skeleton of a whale. It would make a valuable addition to its present well selected Museum of Natural Curiosities, and we hope they will not fail to take advantage of it. Something should be done to prevent the bones from being disturbed, and when in a proper condition, they should be collected and set up in the rooms of the Academy.

SOLANO ENGINE CO. No. 1.—We acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to attend a ball to be given by Solano Engine Company No. 1, of Benecia, on Friday evening, Feb. 12th, in commemoration of their second anniversary. If our memory serves us right, the ball given by this excellent company last year was one of the most brilliant that ever took place in Solano County. If within the range of possibility we shall be on hand the evening of the 12th.

ST. FRANCIS H. & L. CO.—At the regular meeting of St Francis Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, held on Tuesday evening last, Mr. J. P. Buckley was elected delegate *vice* Jacob Ezekiel resigned. Mr. H Barroilhet was elected First Assistant, *vice* F. O. Wegener resigned, and Mr. F. Usher Second Assistant, *vice* Barroilhet promoted. Mr. H. Reese was also elected Secretary, *vice* F. B. Casas resigned.

ELECTION.—At a meeting of Pioneer Mutual H. & L., Co. No. 1, of Sacramento, held on Monday evening last, W. H. Watson was elected President *vice* W. G. English, resigned. An appropriation of $50 was also made in favor of John F. Crawford, member of Confidence Engine Co. No. 1, who was so seriously injured while assisting the truck in going to the fire on the

SPECIAL NOTICES.

☞ **Notice is hereby given, that, in consequence** of the consolidation of the Liverpool and London Fire Insurance Company and the Monarch Fire Insurance Company, the business of the two Agencies is vested in the undersigned.

WILLIAM LANE BOOKER, ESQ., the late Agent of the Monarch, will continue to receive applications for Insurance, for which policies will be issued at this Agency.

J. P. HAVEN & W. B. JOHNSON.

San Francisco, Jan. 16,1858. jan 23-3m

☞ **L. J. CZAPKAY.**—We would direct the especial attention of Invalids to the perusal of Dr. L. J. Czapkay's advertisement, to be found in another column of this paper to place the services of a learned and experienced Physician within their reach. So much ill has been inflicted on the human family from the pernicious and ignorant practices of empirics, that it seems as if we were fulfilling a bounden duty to make known where relief can be obtained.

To those unfortunate enough to suffer from the effects of sexual or private diseases, or their ill treatment, we cheerfully recommend Dr. L. J. Czapkay as a man of rare scientific and medical acquirements,—possessing all the requirements, from long experience and acknowledged skill for the successful practice of his profession. Having made sexual complaints his especial study, like the celebrated Ricord, of Paris, he is enabled to guarantee speedy cures in all cases of private or chronic disease—whether the effect of contagion self abuse or loss of virility : and in order that patients at a distance may avail themselves of his advice, free consultation by letter is open to them. The knowledge we have of the numerous cures he has effected, some of which were of long standing, leads us to place much faith in Dr. C.'s efficacy, and commend him to the confidence of those in ill health.—*Union.* aug30

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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REMARKABLE INSTANCE OF MEDICAL RELIEF Below we publish the certificates of two of the sufferers from the pangs of disease, who having recovered their former health, and impelled by gratitude make known their cases and remedial agent. and their statements are authenticated by a Notary Public. The demands of society imperiously command their perusal of all afflicted:

CERTIFICATE.

The undersigned, desirous of acquainting those who may be unfortunate enough to be similarly afflicted, where a permanent relief of their suffering may be obtained, feels it his duty to thus publicly express his most sincere gratitude to Dr. L. J. Czapkay, for the permanent recovery of his health. Borne down by the distressing symptoms incident to the vicious practice of uncontrollable passion in youth, depressed in body and mind, unable to perform even the most trifling duty imposed upon the daily avocations of life I sought the advice of many physicians, who at first regarded my disease of trifling importance—but alas! after a few weeks, and in several instances months, of their treatment, I found to my unutterable horror that, instead of relief, the symptoms became more alarming in their torture; and, being told by one that my disease being confined principally to the brain, medicine would be of little consequence, I despaired of ever regaining my health, strength and energy; and as a last resort, and with but a faint hope, called upon Dr. Czapkay, who after examining my case, prescribed some medicine which almost instantaneously relieved me of the dull pain and dizziness in my head.—Encouraged by this result, I resolved to place myself immediately under his care, and by a strict obedience to his directions and advice, my head became clear, my ideas collected, the constant pain in my back and groins the weakness of my limbs, the nervous reaction of my whole body on the slightest alarm or excitement, the misanthropy and evil forebodings, the self distrust and want of confidence in others, the incapacity to study, and want of resolution, the frightful, exciting and at times pleasurable dreams at night, followed by involuntary discharges, have all disappeared; and in fact in two months after having consulted the Doctor I felt as if inspired by new life—that life which. but a short time ago, I contemplated to end by my own hand.

With a view to guard the unfortunate from the snares of incompetent quacks, I deem it my duty to offer this testimony to the merit and skill of Dr. Czapkay and recommend him to all who may stand in need of medical advice being assured by my own personal experience, that once under his care, a radical and permanent cure will be effected. B. F. FILLMORE.

State of California, county of San Francisco. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17th day of April, A. D. 1856.

(Signed.) JOHN MIDDLETON, [L. S.]

Notary Public.

CARD.

I, the undersigned, having been under the treatment of Dr. L. J. Czapkay, although unsolicited, feel called upon to give publicity to the efficacy of his treatment, hoping that by doing so, I may be instrumental in preventing others from the fearful suffering and misery which I experienced and which so often result from the pernicious practice of pretenders. My disease has been that of physical and mental debility which follows in consequence of the indiscretion in youth. The agonies which I endured are, perhaps unnecessary for me to detail; they are known to those who have experienced them. Suffice it to say, that having called the services of Dr. L. J. Czapkay into requisition, all my expectations which I may have formed of him were more than realized. I would therefor, recommend Dr. Czapkay to all who may find themselves afflicted with that dreadful malady, my object in doing so being sympathy for suffering humanity, and a heartfelt desire of relieving them. D. J. DAHLEE, Printer.

State of California, city and county of San Francisco, ss. On this thirty-first day of July A. D. 1856, before me, Wm. C Jewett, personally appeared D. J. Dahlee, known to me who, being duly sworn, did depose and say, that the contents of the card herewith signed by him is true.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year first above written. W. C. JEWETT, [L. S.]

Notary Public.

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I, the undersigned, Governor of Hungary, do testify hereby, that Dr. L. J. Czapkay has served during the contest for Hungarian liberty, as Chief Surgeon in the Hungarian army, with faithful perseverance—whereof I have given him this certificate and do recommend him to the sympathy and protection of all those who are capable of appreciating patriotic self sacrifice, and undeserved misfortune, KOSSUTH LAJOS,

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Washington City, Jan. 6th, 1852.

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Fire Department.

Premiums for the year. £91,506 3 6

Which after payment of all losses and expenses, and provision for all outstanding claims, left to the credit of profit and a net balance of £14 572 15 6

Life Department.

Premiums of 514 new Policies issued during the year.....£9,814 11 2

Renewal Premiums and Interest £53,498 7 11

Total revenue for the year.....£67,962 18 3

Claims during the year.....£14,966 6 10

Number of Policies current, 3 986 for capital. sums amounting to.....£1,832,798 4 9

Financial Position.

Amount of accumulated funds.....£342,536 0 2

Revenue from all sources.....164,499 7 11

Dividend.

At the same time the directors having recommended hat the Dividend to the shareholders for the past year should be continued at the former rate of 7½ per cent., free of Income-tax, the same was adopted accordingly.

Progress of the Company During the Past Five Years.

	Fire Department. £ s. d.	Life Department. £ s. d.
Revenue from May 1, 1852, to April 3 ,1853.....	13 431 13 9	39 357 4 9
Revenue from May 1, 1853, to April 30, 1854.....	29,358 12 4	49,358 12 4
Revenue from May 1, 1854, to Jan. 31 9 mo. 1855.....	3?, 308 0 0	33,373 2 11
Revenue from Feb. 1 1855 Jan. 31, 1856.....	77,850 19 9	62,184 7 11
Revenue from Feb. 1, 1856. Jan. 17, 1857	91,306 3 6	67 962 18 3
June 16, 1857.		

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To the Members of the San Francisc Fire Department.

We, the undersigned, a special Monumental and Cemetery Committee appointed by the Board of Delegates of this Fire Department, inform you that a book of subscription is now opened at the office of H. A. COBB, Nos. 100 and 102 Montgomery street, for the purpose of receiving donations to aid in fencing the FIREMAN'S CEMETERY and erecting a permanent MONUMENT to our deceased brothers, who perished in discharging their duties as firemen.

H. A. COBB, Chairman,
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Brick building No 184 Washington street.

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TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT CEMETERY FUND—up to the present date, at the office of H. A. Cobb, Chairman Cemetery Committee:

F. E. R. Whitney, Chief Engineer	$50 00
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The office of this paper has been removed to the Second Story of SHERMAN'S BUILDING, Northeast corner of Montgomery and Clay streets.

To Firemen Throughout California and Oregon.

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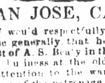

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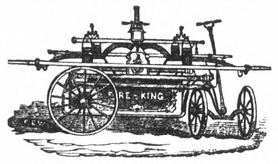

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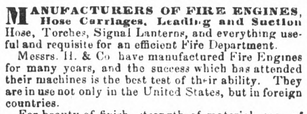

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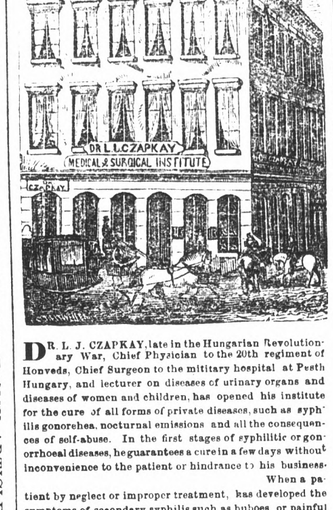

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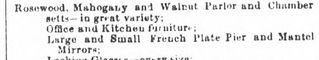

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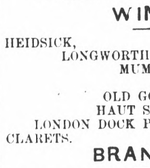

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